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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is our response to the Office Action mailed on December 13, 2000 in regards to Election/Restrictions for M. Cohen, *et al.*, for REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE PROSTATE the specification of which was filed on October 15, 1999, and received Serial No. 09/418,887.

Also enclosed is a return-receipt postcard.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2000 with respect to the patent application identified above.

The Examiner has required restriction of the application to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Applicants, by their attorney, now elect Sequence No. 9. Favorable action is now solicited.

Respectfully

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